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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Thakker & Ward Group Art Unit: 1612

Serial No.: 09/974,519 Examiner: Packard, Benjamin J.

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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ENHANCING PARACELLULAR

PERMEABILITY ACROSS EPITHELIAL AND ENDOTHELIAL BARRIERS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir

This paper is responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated April 14, 2009, for which the period for response expires on <u>August 14, 2009</u>. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$65.00, to cover the extension fee for a small entity, along with any other fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, and to credit any over payment to, Deposit Account Number 50-0426.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment and Remarks.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows: